

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Stuart BROUGHTON et al.

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Title: (2S)-2-AMINO-4-([2-(ETHANIMIDOYLAMINO)  
ETHYL]THIO)BUTANOIC ACID, A NITRIC OXIDE  
SYNTHASE INHIBITOR, IN STABILIZED  
PHARMACEUTICAL DOSAGE FORMS

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**Commissioner for Patents**  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please amend the attached application as follows:

For the purposes of adding the priority information, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5.

Abstract begins on page 6. Please substitute the attached Abstract, which has been placed on a separate sheet of paper according to US practice.